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Ms. Jeannette Remak
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Reference: A. F-2002-00953
B. F-2002-00970
C. F-2002-01024

Dear Ms. Remak:

In reviewing the requests you submitted on 31 May 2002 (Reference A), 4 June 2002 (Reference B), 10 June 2002 (Reference C) and on 13 July 2002, we have determined that the information you are seeking pertains to specific missions related to the OXCART/Black Shield program. Therefore, for administrative purposes we have aggregated your four individual requests into one request. Specifically, your request is for records pertaining to:

- A. Black Shield Mission BX6847 flown on 25-28 January 1968, including all logbook entries for pilots Jack Weeks and Frank Murray and aircraft article numbers (i.e. #131, etc);**
- B. Black Shield missions BX6850 flown 7-13 February, 1968 and BX6853 flown 14-20 February 1968;**
- C. The aircraft accident on 4 June 1968, when aircraft article #129 and pilot Jack Weeks were lost at sea;**
- D. Black Shield Mission Summary for BX6843 flown on 5 January 1968.**

We have assigned your request F-2002-00953 (Reference A) for identification purposes. Please refer to it in any future correspondence. We have cancelled References B and C.

We have accepted your request; it will be processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and the CIA Information Act, 50 U.S.C. § 431. Our search will be for documents in existence as of and through the date of this acceptance letter.

In an effort to be of assistance to you, we also searched our database of previously released records and located the enclosed two records which are responsive to items A and D. Please note that the enclosed documents total 71 pages and as a requester in the "all-other" category you are entitled to 100 pages free of charge. However, the 71 pages will be taken into account should we find additional records responsive to your request.

The heavy volume of FOIA requests received by the Agency has created delays in processing. Since we cannot respond within the 20 working days stipulated by the FOIA, you have the right to consider this a denial and may appeal to the Agency Release Panel. It would seem more reasonable, however, to have us continue processing your request and respond to you as soon as we can. You can appeal any denial of records at that time. Unless we hear from you otherwise, we will assume that you agree, and we will proceed on this basis.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kathryn I. Dyer', written in a cursive style.

Kathryn I. Dyer
Information and Privacy Coordinator

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CIO/IMS/IRRG/PIPD, [redacted] /1 August 2002

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F-2002-00970 (consolidated into F-2002-00953)

F-2002-01024 (consolidated into F-2002-00953)

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